GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1567
ANSWERED ON:27.02.2003
RAIL PROJECTS IN GUJARAT
GORDHANBHAI JAVIA;PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI;RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA;SAVSHIBHAI MAKWANA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals received by the Government from Gujarat and members of Parliament for construction of new rail lines, gauge conversions, doublings and electrification of Rail lines in Gujarat during the last three years;

(b) the steps taken by the Union Government thereon;

(c) the details of the new and ongoing rail projects/surveys alongwith the present status thereof;

(d) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred to each of the project, so far; and

(e) the target fixed for completion of those projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1567 BY S/SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA G.J.JAVIYA, P.S. GADHAVI AND SAVSHIBHAI MAKWANA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27-02-2003 REGARDING RAIL PROJECTS IN GUJARAT.

(a) & (b): Record of each and every demand for new project is not maintained. However, some of the proposals received by the Government for construction of new rail lines, gauge conversions, doublings and electrification of rail lines in the last three years in the State of Gujarat is as under:

Sl.No.	Proposal	Action Taken
	NEW LINE	
1	Gandhinagar-Adraj Moti	Work included in the budget 2000-2001.
2	Veraval-Somnath-Kodinar	New line work from Veraval to Somnath has been taken up.
3	Surendranagar-Limbdi-Loliya-Wadgaon-Khambat-Kavi-Jambusar-Bharuch	Work on Surendranagar-Limbdi has already been taken up. In view of heavy throwforward of ongoing projects, it has not been found feasible to consider remaining portion of this proposal.
4	Extension of rail line from Modasa to Titoi	Survey completed and report is under examination.
5	Kharaghoda-Santalpur	Survey is in progress.
6	Dholera Port-Bhavnagar Port	Survey is in progress from Bhavnagar to Tarapore via Dholera.
7	Extension upto Hazira Port new line	A study for this project is likely to be awarded to M/s. RITES by Gujarat Maritime Board.
8.	Bhavnagar-Tarapore	Survey is in progress.
	GAUGE CONVERSION	
1.	Bharuch-Dahej	It is one of the identified projects under National Rail Vikas Yojana. Further processing of sanction and funding will be done as per extant procedure.
2.	Ahmedabad-	Work on gauge conversion of

	Bhavnagar/Palitana	Surendernagar-Botad-Dhola-Sihor-Bhavnagar and Sihor-Palitana is already in progress.
3.	Surendranagar-Joravarnagar-Sayla	Work on Surendranagar-Joravarnagar is in progress. Joravarnagar-Sayla rail line has been dismantled long back.
4.	Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar-Khedbrahma	Survey for gauge conversion of Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar-Umra (Udaipur City) is in progress.
5.	Wansjalia-Jetalsar	Gauge conversion of this line has been approved.

DOUBLING

1.	Surat-Bhusawal	Double BG line already exists on Surat-Udhna and Bhusawal-Jalgaon sections. A survey for doubling of Udhna-Jalgaon section is in progress.
2.	Virar-Dahanu Road	On this section, the line capacity is being augmented by automatic signaling.
3.	Ahmedabad-Mumbai	A survey for construction of 3rd line between Virar and Ahmedabad has been completed. In view of saturation on this section, it has been decided to augment the line capacity of the route by adopting automatic signaling. However, in phase-I, the work of 3rd line from Surat to Kosamba has been taken up.

Besides the above, proposals have been received for other projects under plan head New Lines, Gauge Conversion, Doubling and Railway Electrification and in some of the cases, surveys have also been completed. It has not been found feasible to take up the proposed projects in view of heavy throw-forward of ongoing works and constraint of resources. The proposals received are as under:-

NEW LINES

1	Porbandar-Porbandar Port
2	New Hapa-Dahinsara
3	Extension of rail line from Taranga Hill/Khedbrahma to Ambaji and Abu Road
4	Extension of Surendranagar-Pipavav rail line upto Jafrabad
5	Amreli-Liliya Mota
6	Umreth-Vina-Nadiad-Vaso-Dholka-Surendranagar
7	Radhanpur-Harij Chanasma-Mahesana
8	Radhanpur-Sami Shankheshwar- Viramgam
9	Radhanpur-Tharad-Sanchor-Jodhpur
10	Dholavira-Rapar-Tikar-Hadavad-Malvan-Ahemedabad
11.	Dholera Port-Surendranagar

GAUGE CONVERSION

1	Bhuj-Nalia
2	Mahesana-Taranga Hill
3	Vadia-Kunkavav
4	Samalaya-Miyagam Karjan
5	Jetalsar-Dhasa
6	Kalol-Kadi-Katosan Road

DOUBLING

1 Viramgam-Okha

RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION

1 Ahmeadbad-Dwarka-Viramgam-Rajkot-Okha
2 Delhi-Ahmedabad
3 Ahmedabad-Porbandar and Ahmedabad-Gandidham-Kutch

(c) to (e): Details of new and on-going projects alongwith funds allocated, expenditure incurred and target date fixed for completion is given in the Annexure.

Surveys for construction of new rail line from Jaisalmer to Kandla, Kharaghoda-Santalpur,Bhavnagar-Tarapore, gauge conversionof Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar-Umra(Udaipur City), doubling of Delhi-Ahmedabad and doubling and electrification of Udhna-Jalgaonare in progress. These surveys are in various stages of progress and expected to be completed during 2003-04 as per availability of resources.